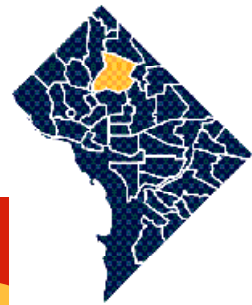
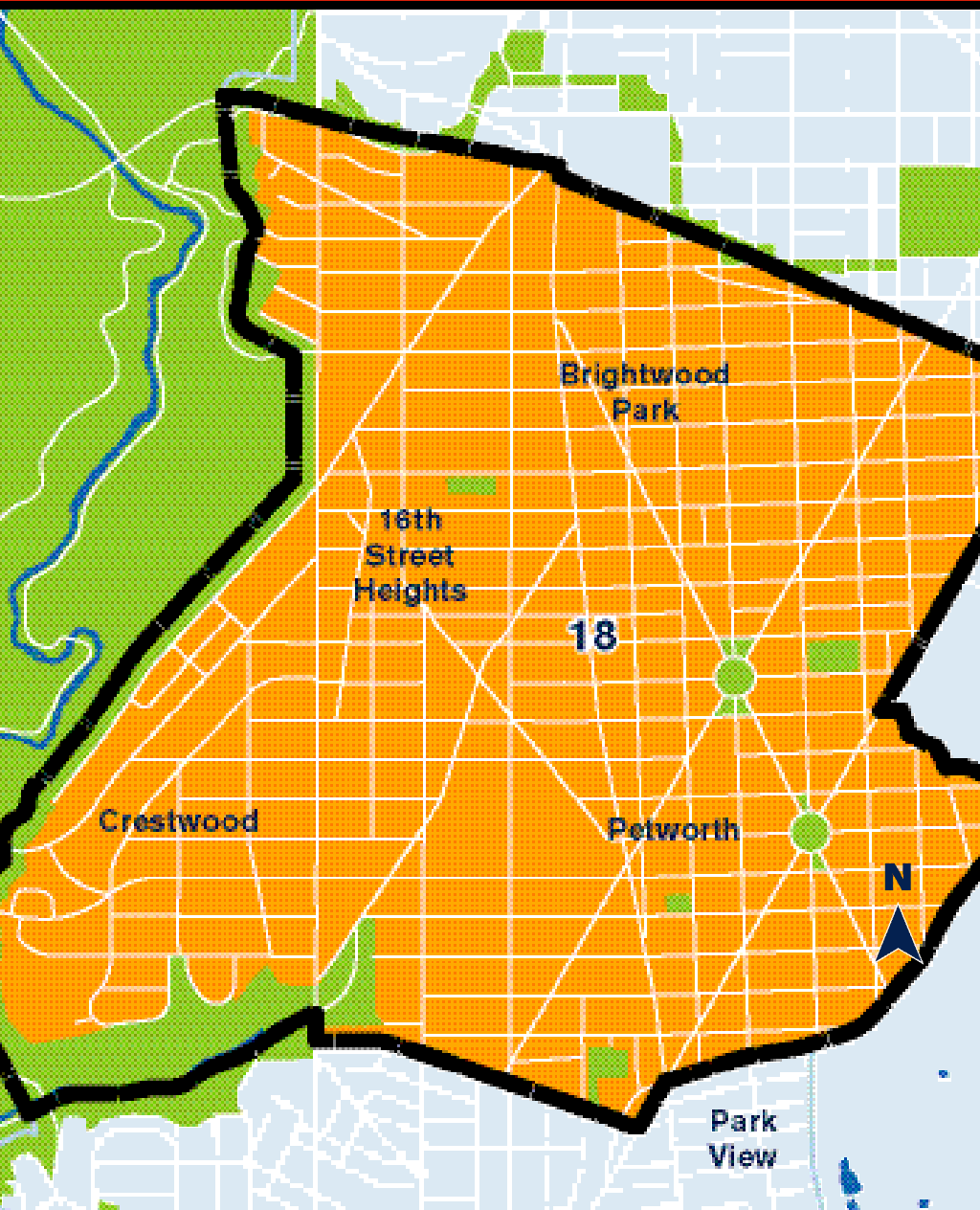


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## Neighborhood Cluster

# 18



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### Physical Characteristics and Assets

The majority of Cluster 18 neighborhoods are defined by attractive, well-maintained row houses. The western part of the Cluster, which borders Rock Creek Park, is developed with single-family attached homes with relatively large lots. Most residential development took place toward the end of the 19th century, when the suburban village was subdivided. Historic Georgia Avenue, built in 1819 as the Brightwood Turnpike, bisects the Cluster. This well-known commercial district is special, because it is by far the longest retail strip in the city, extending about 40 blocks for the full length of Ward 4. The Kennedy Street commercial area, which is similar to the physical environment of Georgia Avenue, extends from Georgia Avenue east to New Hampshire Avenue. The Upper 14th Street commercial area is also positioned for small-scale, neighborhood-oriented redevelopment.

### Some highlights of Cluster 18's assets and features include the following:

- Neighborhoods offer sound housing stock and a good real estate market.
- Several connections offer immediate access to Rock Creek Park and its wide variety of recreational opportunities.
- The annual Legg Mason Tennis Tournament is held at the William H. G. Fitzgerald Tennis Center at Rock Creek Park.

- Rock Creek Park's Carter Barron Amphitheater is home to outdoor concerts and other activities.
- The eastern portion of the Cluster borders major institutions, including the U.S. Soldiers' and Airmen's Home, Washington Hospital Center, Children's Hospital and Veterans Administration Hospital. Those institutions serve not only the rest of the city, but also the region and nation.
- Anchored to the south by the Georgia Avenue/Petworth Metro station, the Georgia Avenue corridor offers significant economic development opportunities and transportation options.
- Georgia Avenue Day, a celebration of history, community and commerce, is held every year.
- Georgia Avenue is the site of the Annual Washington, DC, Caribbean Carnival Parade. The Caribbean Carnival, one of the largest cultural festivals in the Washington metropolitan area, is a feast of culture with Caribbean music, dance, arts and crafts, fashion and food.



### Recent Neighborhood Activity

- \$5.2 million renovation of Emery Recreation Center recently completed
- Artwork installed at the 16th Street/Arkansas Avenue Pocket Park.
- Upper 14th Street—DC Main Street Designation.
- The opening of Kingsbury Center on 14th Street, a private school relocated from Georgetown.
- Several new restaurants have recently opened.